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Schaller, et al.

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Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action dated November 28, 2003 in the above-identified application from December 28, 2003 to April 28, 2004.

The extension request and appropriate fee are as follows:

	<u>Large Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
[]	One month	[] \$ 110 [] \$ 55
[]	Two months	[] \$ 420 [] \$210
[]	Three months	[] \$ 950 [] \$475
[X]	Four months	[] \$1,480 [X] \$740
[]	Five months	[] \$2,010 [] \$1,005

[X] Applicant is a small entity.

[X] A check including the amount of the fee is enclosed.

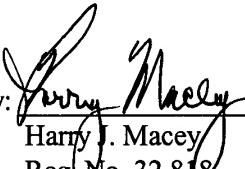
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- [] Authorization to charge the * fee for the * to Deposit Account No. 50-1947 is provided on the Fee Transmittal. A duplicate copy of that document is enclosed for that purpose.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1947, referencing Attorney Docket No. CSI-2014.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and/or the Patent Office determines that other relief is required, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 50-1947, referencing Attorney Docket No. CSI-2014. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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